



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
EXAMINING GROUP 1647
PATENT**

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SUPPLEMENTAL REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed May 10, 2006, the period for response having been extended to September 10, 2006 (a Sunday) by a request for extension of one month and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicants propose that this application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper.

Attachment: McPherron et al. (1997) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci USA* 94: 12457-

12461.